

Statement of Interest for Hanford Advisory Board Vice-Chair

Shelley Cimon

I am a primary member, representing the interests of Columbia Riverkeeper on the Hanford Advisory Board. A resident of La Grande, Oregon, I was a member of the Oregon State Governor's – Local Emergency Planning Committee, in the mid 1980's, helping to develop a model response plan from which cities and municipalities could develop emergency response plans for fixed site or in-transit radiological accidents. This participation lead to an invitation to be a founding member, in the environmentalist seat, of the Oregon Hanford Clean-up Board. I served from 1987-2004 and as it's chair for several years.

I was a member of the Tank Waste Task Force at Hanford Nuclear Reservation, helping to negotiate the 149 single-shell tanks into legally binding milestones. I was interviewed for the convening report of the Hanford Advisory Board and was one of seven people from around the nation who gave a stakeholder training in Washington D.C. to DOE site managers from around the complex about convening similar site-specific advisory boards for their respective sites.

I have been vice-chair of the Hanford Advisory Board and chaired the River and Plateau Committee. I have been National Liaison for the Hanford Advisory Board, attending national meetings in order to help the HAB better understand the programmatic picture. I have also attended Site-Specific Advisory Board Chair meetings to support the work load of the HAB Chair, at their request.

I am a member of the Public Involvement Committee, the River and Plateau Committee, and the Tank Waste Committee.

I previously represented the interests of the Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board from 1994-2005 on the Hanford Advisory Board and as an alternate for the Public-at-Large seat on the HAB from 2005-2014.